October 20, 1950

STAT	Brig. Gen. Bonner Fellers, USA-Ret.
	Thanks very much for your congratulations on my new assignment and for your very generous comments with regard to my qualifications for the post. It promises to be as rough as anything I have yet undertaken, but if nothing else, there will at least be the satisfaction of doing a job that has to be done. I appreciate your lead on STAT Both of these men, and especially appear to STAT STAT have backgrounds which dould be very useful to the
	Agency. I am having my personnel people check carr- fully on both applicants to see if we can make use of them at the present time.
	Sincerely,
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